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USUN PLEASE PASS AMBASSADOR STEVENSON

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1. DURING MEETING JUNE 10 WITH NORDQUIST AND EMBASSY OFFICER, FOREIGN MINISTER FACIO SAID IN CONFIDENCE THAT HE HAD JUST BEEN INFORMED BY THE COSTA RICAN AMBASSADOR TO THE UN THAT HE WAS EXPECTED TO BE ELECTED CHAIRMAN OF THE LATIN AMERICAN GROUP FOR THE CARACAS LOS CONFERENCE. FACIO ASKED THAT THIS INFORMATION BE HELD CLOSELY UNTIL AN OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT IS MADE IN NEW YORK.

2. FACIO SAID THAT IN VIEW OF HIS EXPECTED REGIONAL CHAIRMANSHIP HE NOW EXPECTS TO BE PRESENT DURING THE FIRST WEEK OF THE CONFERENCE WHEN HE WOULD MAKE
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A SPEECH ON BEHALF OF THE LATIN AMERICAN GROUP. HE

HAS NOT DECIDED JUST HOW MUCH MORE TIME HE WILL SPEND
IN CARACAS, BUT AGREED THAT HE AND HIS DELEGATION
WILL BE WORKING INTENSIVELY BETWEEN NOW AND JUNE 20
PREPARING FOR HIS NEW LEADERSHIP ROLE.

3. IN VIEW OF ACIO'S EXPECTED IMPORTANT RESPONSIBILITIES
IN THE CARACAS CONFERENCE, HIS GENERALLY MODERATE
LOS POSITION AND PARTICULARLY HIS POSTURE ON STRAITS,
WHICH SEEMS IDENTICAL TO OURS, NORDQUIST'S VISIT WAS
EXCEEDINGLY TIMELY AND USEFUL.
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